## Chapter 10.10

### ACCIDENTS AND ACCIDENT REPORTS

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# 10.10.010 Duty in Case of Accident.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the driver, or owner, if present, of any vehicle involved in any accident resulting in damage to property, to fail to immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of the accident, to remove such vehicle therefrom, or to leave the scene of such accident until such person has furnished to the other person or persons whose property was involved in such accident such person's name and address and the registration number of such vehicle.
- (b) If the owner of the damaged property involved in such accident is not present or cannot be located, the driver of said vehicle and the owner thereof, if present, shall leave a written notice giving the name and address of the driver and of the owner of such vehicle in a conspicuous place in or upon such damaged property.
- (c) Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall, if such person shall report such accident by telephone or otherwise to the appropriate peace officer within twelve hours, be fined not to exceed \$100.00 or, if such person does not report such accident within twelve hours, be fined not to exceed \$500.00, recoverable with costs. (Ord. 15632 §1; July 9, 1990: P.C. §10.60.190: Ord. 12519 §7; March 12, 1979: Ord. 5699 §1419; April 12, 1954).

## 10.10.020 Duty in Case of Injury Accident.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the driver or owner, if present, of any vehicle involved in any accident resulting in injury or death to any person to fail to immediately stop such vehicle at the scene of the accident, to remove such vehicle therefrom, or to leave the scene of such accident until such person has furnished to the other person or persons injured in such accident such person's name and address and the registration number of such vehicle.
- (b) Any person violating any provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed six months, or by a fine of not to exceed \$500.00, or both, recoverable with costs. (Ord. 15632 §2; July 9, 1990: P.C. §10.60.195: Ord. 12519 §8; March 12, 1979).

## 10.10.030 Reporting Accidents.

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury or death to any person or damage to the property of any one person, including the operator, to an apparent extent in excess of \$500.00 to knowingly or intentionally fail to report such accident to the Police Department

immediately by the quickest means of communication, unless a police officer investigates the accident and obtains a report from the operator. If the operator is physically incapable of making such report, it shall be the duty of any other person involved in the accident who is not incapacitated to make such report. (Ord. 15632 §3; July 9, 1990: P.C. §10.60.200: Ord. 14321 §1; February 10, 1986: Ord. 11452 §1; September 8, 1975: Ord. 5699 §1420, as amended by Ord. 7568; September 18, 1961).

## 10.10.040 Reporting Damage to Fixtures and Improvements.

It shall be unlawful for any person operating any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in damage to fixtures legally in or upon or adjacent to a street or public way to knowingly or intentionally fail to notify immediately by the quickest means of communication the owner or person in charge of such damaged fixtures or improvement of such person's name and address and of the name and address of the owner of the vehicle causing such damages. (Ord. 15632 §4; July 9, 1990: P.C. §10.60.210: Ord. 5699 §1421, as amended by Ord. 7568; September 18, 1961).